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## Our Father's Care

BY MISS BESSIE T. MCKINNEY

The fields are reaped, the fruits are stored,

The air is crisp and keen,  
And plenty heaps the humblest board,  
Our rolling seas between.

There is joy for old and young to-day,  
And comfort everywhere;  
For all along the pilgrim way  
We're in our Father's care.

Our Father sent the sun and rain,  
And made the strong winds blow  
On lifted hill and level plain  
And in the valley low.

Our Father heard His children call,  
And listened to their prayer,  
And safe from ill were one and all  
In that dear Father's care.

Perhaps we miss some silver notes  
From out our household song;  
But sweet and full the echo floats  
Among the ransomed throng  
Perhaps an angel crossed the sill  
And left a shadow there,  
But that was by our Father's will  
And of our Father's care.

For if the fields of earth are green,  
So are the fields above,  
Where evermore the tranquil scene  
Is bathed in heavenly love.  
Not closer is that blessed life  
Than ours, for here or there,  
In that full peace, in that hot strife,  
We're in our Father's care.

So, fear not, little flock,  
To whom is always given,  
Sure founded on the age-long Rock,  
The matchless peace of heaven.  
Lift up your eyes, be glad, be strong,  
The whole wide sky is fair,  
And evermore be this your song,  
"We're in our Father's care."

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## Immortality

BY REV. J. FRANCIS VANDERHORST

Sunday, March 31st, all over the civilized world, every person of intelligence knew of, and took cogni-

zance of, the celebration of an event which has transformed a burdensome, hopeless existence on earth into a bright, hopeful career of looking upward.

Had the fact of Jesus' resurrection been successfully contradicted the whole effect of the Nazarene's exceptional life and philosophy would have been lost to the race. The meagre reports of His life, and the strikingly brief form in which His biographers delineated the imperishable truth of His teaching and purpose of His mission, could not have lasted had the world refused to believe the evidence of that band of martyrs who had everything to gain and nothing to lose by denying the claim, if it were not true, that He became the first fruits of them that slept.

There are some people who would be willing and glad to have it reliably demonstrated that the assertions of Galilean evangelists are chimerical. These crude, earthy souls knew little of the philosophy of history, less of the psychology of man, and least of the purpose of God.

Those characters which have wrought the overthrow of government, wrecked the peace of nations, corrupted the minds of the people, effected the dissolution of virtuous principles of conduct and lowered the standard of human intercourse, are not those whom we hold in pleasant remembrance. Their notoriety is merely a warning. But those who have lifted men above the ruin of carnal stuff, the waste of moral wreckage, the shrine of self worship, object worship, animal worship or ancestor worship, and have directed their gaze upward, elevated their aims, tasks, thoughts, ideals and desires, given them a better hope and a

feasible method of living up to their hope—these have won a true and lasting fame which, however, is the smallest part of their reward.

Had the career of Jesus meant nothing more than the introduction of His three cardinal truths into the thoughts of men, His coming would not have been forgotten, and the race would have gained more from that Jewish carpenter than from all the other philosophers, combined.

The three points of truth without which this globe would be a sombre scene indeed, are these:

The supreme claim of love for God and man, the precept that there be reciprocal forgiveness of sin, the postulate of the immortality of the personality.

As much as men have tried to dodge the force of these, to deny their full fruition in Jesus' life and to question the divine authority of their great Original, this must be admitted that the demand here made, the conditions here stated and the results here promised are the only ones which perfectly answer and satisfy the highest aspirations of the soul in its sanest moments. Is it likely that an impostor arising among the plebeian peasantry of an obscure village could propogate a system of error on the basis of obviously true hypotheses? and that his ignorant followers could successfully promulgate the error?

But unless Jesus did prove that the self in man is superior to fleshly dissolution, we ministers preach in vain. Yes, and more, civilization is vain! For there is no adequate balance of the "right" and good. There is no adjustment of justice, no reward for virtue, no acknow-

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### In the College World

European schools give twice as much time to the study of Latin as American schools. Dean A. F. West of the Graduate School of Princeton, says that mathematics is invaluable to train students to think well and Latin is the best generally available foundation study to train pupils in power of expression as well as to prepare them for literary, historical and other humanistic studies. No great modern system of secondary education has been constructed without giving a central and ample place to mathematics and Latin. "Latin is universal and not least so by the immense help it gives in mastering the modern languages; so that if the question should be 'What is the best way to master modern languages thoroly

and speedily?' the answer is 'Study Latin first.' This applies especially to the English language. \* \* \* And the reason is that in studying Latin grammar he is not so much studying a grammar of some particular language as grammar in general. \* \* \* There is a vast increase in the number of pupils taking Latin."

In the same connection Professor Whitby of the University of Michigan recommends that high school courses be extended downward into the seventh and eighth grades in order to bring the students of the secondary schools up to the proper point and thereby reform the present antiquated system and secure deeper scholarship.

The General Education Board on March 26th appropriated to Princeton University \$200,000 from the Rockefeller fund.

Chicago and Brown Universities are excluded from the benefits of the Carnegie Foundation on the ground that they are denominational schools.

Harvard received gifts last year amounting to \$2,218,118.21, of which \$1,859,798.23 was for the capital account and \$358,319.98 for immediate expenditure.

More baseball players have entered the big leagues from Fordham University of New York City than from any other institution of learning in the East.

Columbia University has leased Columbia Oval at Williamsbridge to an outside organization, thus depriving its own track athletes of those comfortable training quarters.

On March 22nd, Yale was defeated in debate by Princeton at New Haven. The question discussed was: Resolved, That the present distribution of power between the federal and state government is not adapted to modern conditions and calls for readjustment in

the direction of further centralization. With Yale, Princeton argued the negative. The same evening another Princeton team met and defeated a Harvard team on the same question. In the Harvard contest Princeton had the affirmative.

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A holy life is made up of a number of small things; little words, not eloquent speeches or sermons; little deeds, not miracles or battles, nor one great heroic act of mighty martyrdom, makes up the true Christian life. The little, constant sunbeam, not the lightning; the waters of Siloam "that go softly" in the meek mission of refreshment, not the "waters of the river, great and many," rushing down in noisy torrents, are true symbols of a holy life. The avoidance of little evils, little sins, little inconsistencies, little weaknesses, little follies, indiscretions and imprudences, little foibles, little indulgences of the flesh; the avoidance of such little things as these goes far to make up, at least, the negative of a holy life.

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### To Spring

BY H. R. LOGAN

Thou Spring, fair babe, first of the seasons born,  
Within thy infant hands the swelling buds  
Do burst to let great Sol with powerful floods  
Of warmth and light, mould them into form.  
Thou caller of the birds from fairer climes  
To nurse and cheer thee in thy youthful days  
That when mid greener bowers their caroled lays  
They sing thy shading into fairer times.  
Within thy vernal bosom thou dost keep  
The power of seasons that the winter's hour  
Would dare to sting or chill thy fairest flower  
Before thy voice could call it from its sleep.  
Oh Giver to the earth its vernal coat  
And to the bird its first and charming note.

### On Hearing Tschaiakowski's Symphonic Pathétique for the First Time

BY MAXWELL NICY HAYSON

But soft! the subtle chords of sombre strings,  
To which the wood winds blend their weird tone,  
Commence the Hymn; anon the gorgeous moan  
Through horn and drum increasing grimly rings  
With all the Master's savage grief.  
The Springs  
Of Song, 'till now methinks have never flown  
In sound so tragic sweet: for Song hath sown  
Its seeds in strange and mighty throats—thus sings  
Upon the choral heights of supreme art  
The Slavic Eagle as he pours amain  
The tuneful might of his luxurious woe.  
O! how he lordly soars pierced by the dart  
Of keen oppression aye his country's hanc,  
And leaves the weaker wings here far below.

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### Lines to the New Congressional Library Building

BY MAXWELL NICY HAYSON

Oh! mighty edifice of quarried stone,  
Commanding with the wealth of ages' lore,  
What sacred treasures numberless are thine!  
There seeks his level on the sheeted dome,  
The lavish glory of a nation ever strong,  
The golden sun in central lucent bloom.  
In simple wonder from his fertile fields,  
Along suburban banks of flowing streams,  
And driving cityward his laboring team,  
The farmer this majestic structure sees  
Abundant with the toil of vanished years.  
Those men who wrote perchance unconscious of their fame,  
In this new world review the home of man,  
Again, in peaceful bust, an honored throng:  
Lo! Dante from a quiet granite nook,  
His silent glance casts on the open world,  
As if to breathe upon his slumbering time,

The life and spirit of these alien days,  
Amid impressive chimes of noon-day bells,  
Which bring melodiously on iron tongues,  
An incantation as the thought roves back.  
Huge Neptune stern in mythologic calm  
The towering symbol to the fountain place  
And everywhere displayed by hand of art,  
The emblematic good of knowledge great,  
Too, all the lovely forms of fabled realms.

Within the readers' marble-circled room,  
The vivid light from heaven softened is,  
And in the lucid mellowness is seen,  
Complacent in the burnished tranquil bronze,  
The inevitable image of the wise Shakespeare,  
With all his lofty compeers gathered round.

A splendid palace for the living dead!  
But Ruin fox-gloved shall o'erspread this pile.  
The owl's moss-tempered melancholy hoot  
Among the mellow archives shall resound  
Prolific with the notes of grand decay.  
And thro' the darksome passages shall flow  
In many a silent stream the silver flood  
From Cynthia's high roving ancient keep.  
Ah! now for some enchanted Byron's pen  
On this, as on the Coliseum scene,  
To trace another few immortal lines;  
Then generations yet unborn will view  
In mouldering and gray magnificence,  
The crowning labor of a sleeping age.

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A Howard graduate, Dr. Murdock C. Smith of the school of dentistry, 1887, is President of the Massachusetts State Dental Society. Dr. Smith is loyal to his Alma Mater, as evidence by recent words of his, and he shows his appreciation of the new University Record by making a generous subscription to the same, also enclosing a three year subscription to the Record for an interested outsider.

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All athletes who are to take part in the spring events underwent a medical examination yesterday afternoon.

### Baseball

The opening game of the baseball season was played on the campus Easter Monday with the Eastern Empires. The day was an ideal one for football with the thermometer ranging near freezing point. The players were so chilled that they were not able to put up a very fast exhibition of baseball. As a result there were many errors, some very costly for Howard. Hunter was in the box for the varsity, and pitched an excellent game and would have won had he had proper support: "Beansie" and "Cy Young" for the Empires were full of speed and curves, but after all were not such a puzzle to Howard. The game was quite valuable as it showed our boys their main weakness, notably lack of team work, but it is safe to say that this weakness will soon be removed as the practice the last few days has been along this line. Howard played somewhat in hard luck, too, for on two occasions with bases full the necessary bingle did not materialize. The final score was 9 to 5 in favor of the Eastern Empires.

Cashin, s. s.	Vickers, l. f.
Makanya i. b.	McCree, 2. b.
Brown, 3. b.	Young, c. f.
Parker, Cowan, Hunt, r. f.	
Harrison, c.	Hunter, p.

	R. H. E.
Howard	5 9 6
Eastern Empires	9 11 0

Struck out: Hunter 5, "Beansie" 4, Cy Young 2.

Umpire, Mr. Charles Giles.

On Tuesday evening the College team played the Varsity a 5 inning game with a score of 7 to 7.

The Varsity started off with two runs the first inning and one the second and every one was predicting a score of at least 15 to 0, but in the third inning College got busy. Shorter started the rally and before the side was retired Shorter, Overton, Morrison, Pollard and Holly had crossed the plate and the score was then 5 to 3. College then made a hard effort to keep down further scoring but the best

they could do was to hold Varsity to a tie.

College	
Cowan c f	Overton l f
Morrison r f	Pollard s s
Holly 2 b	Francis p
Morton 1 b	Scott c
Shorter 3 b	

	R.	H.	E.
Varsity	7	9	5
College	7	6	3

Umpires, Giles and Robinson.

#### NOTES

The boys seem to be able to hit the ball nicely this year—a hopeful sign for this has been Howard's weak point in baseball.

Vickers, the fast little left fielder made a mash by his excellent playing Monday. For further particulars go see him; he will tell you all about it.

It is reported that Al Robinson, 1st baseman for the Brooklyn Royal Giants, will assist in the coaching for two or three weeks. he will be a valuable addition to the coaching staff.

The outfield, Vickers, Young and Parker, hold into the ball like grin death whenever it comes into their vicinity or anywhere thereabouts.

The college team was not so successful Wednesday, they were defeated 7 to 4 by the Varsity.

It seems as if greater interest and enthusiasm is being manifested this year in base ball than ever before at Howard. There are always more than enough men from which to pick two teams. Men come out and practice late and every one seems to be doing his best.

Duke '08.

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The baseball game yesterday between the Preparatory and Commercial Department resulted in a score of 11 to 2 in favor of the former.

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The leading Eastern colleges will soon announce their football schedules for the coming season.

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## Immortality

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ledgment of worth, proportionate to the demand.

We must lift up our eyes to a a better hope, else all is vanity indeed. Jesus Himself said: "If I be lifted up from the earth I will draw all men unto me." The cross on which He was lifted up was the ghastly price paid for our better hope. But all good things cost in proportion to their excellency.

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## Societies

### ALPHA PHI

A communication was received from a debating society of the Law School challenging the Alpha Phi to a public debate. The communication was held over for action at the next meeting which will occur tonight.

### PESTALOZZI-FROEBEL

An appreciative audience gathered in the Andrew Rankin Chapel last night to hear the Pestalozzi-Froebel Literary Society present the two act drama "Among the Breakers". The play was well staged. The cast was as follows.

#### CAST

David Murray	Wendell P. Smith
Hon. Bruce Hunter	- Chas. L. Cooper
Clarence Hunter	- J. Oliver Morrison
Peter Paragraph	- Geo. W. Hines
Larry Divine	- James E. Hayes
Scud	- Geo. W. Overton
Minnie Daze	- Miss Ione Hutchins
Bess Seabright	Miss Fannie E. Brooks
"Mother Carey"	Miss Bertha J. Moody
Biddy Bean	Miss Bessie T. McKinney

Scene—Room of the Light-house Keeper.

Act I. The Night of the Storm.

Act II. The Morning.

Music was furnished by Misses Lewis, Williams, Perry and Brockenburg.

### CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

The officers recently elected commenced their administrative work last week. The new presi-

tent, Mr. Neely, made a short talk. The retiring president, Mr. Titus, after inducting the officers elect into office thanked all who had contributed to the success of his administration.

### CRICKET CLUB

The Howard University Cricket Club held its annual meeting last Saturday in the room of the Y. M. C. A. The colonies were well represented and so were the several schools of the University.

The membership fee was set at one dollar per man per annum. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

J. C. VanLoo, President; D. K. Gaskin, Captain; Cumderdatch, Vice Captain; Evans, Secretary; Ellis, Treasurer and Custodian. The club is now planning a series of scratch matches for the spring season.

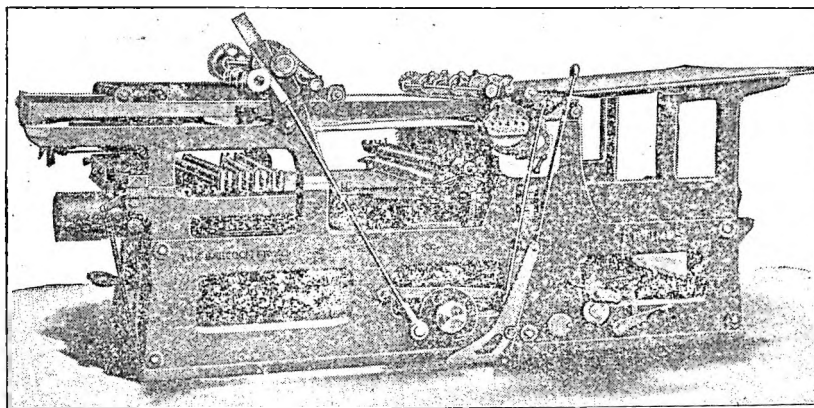
### Y. M. C. A.

The Young Men's Christian Association will hold its Sunday afternoon meeting at 3 o'clock hereafter in the Assembly Hall of the main building. On this Sunday, April 7, the Association will be addressed by Rev. Isaac Clark, D. D., Dean of Theological Department. Every male student is asked to be present as Dr. Clark will speak on "The Importance of a Y. M. C. A. in a University."

The University quartette will be an interesting feature, also a cornet solo by Mr. William C. Chase Jr. New members are always solicited. Every Christian student should be a member of this helpful and inspiring body of young men.

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Truth is the shortest and nearest way to our end, carrying us thither in a straight line.—Tillotson.



THE NEW PRINTING PRESS

### The New Printing Press

This style is known as the Pony Optimus and is a product of the Babcock Printing Press Manufacturing Co. of New York. The dimensions are 10 ft. in length, 7 ft. in width and 4½ ft. in height. Its capacity is 2,800 sheets per hour. The motive power of this press is furnished by gas engine. At one impression it can print a sheet eight times as large as a page of The Journal. It has a cutting attachment and a counting attachment. There is a carriage delivery which is a system of tapes which delivers

the page printed side up to the jogger. The jogger is a box which expands and contracts automatically receiving the printed sheets and keeping them in an even file. At any moment, the press can be stopped, reversed, or have the cylinders lifted, so that an impression may not be taken.

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Clarence — "Your daughter certainly plays with a great deal of feeling doesn't she?"

Her papa — "Yes, a feeling around for the right notes."



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